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Honorable Frank B. Ellis
Director
Office of Emergency Planning
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Ellis:

This letter is in response to your letter of 26 September 1961, asking for the views of this Agency on the need for classifying data concerning 76 items in the strategic stockpile.

As you know, we have in the past commented on the intelligence aspects of the classification of GS stockpile information. Our views remain as stated in our letter of 9 September 1961. I do not believe, however, that this Agency is in a position to comment on the release or continued classification of information on individual items in the stockpile. I feel that we should defer on this matter to the member agencies of the Interdepartmental Materials Advisory Committee, who have a direct responsibility or interest in the stockpile program.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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